

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An image forming apparatus according to an embodiment of this invention includes a light emission unit for emitting a light beam, a scanning control unit for controlling scanning of the light beam, a first
5 light emission control unit for controlling the light emission timing of the light emission unit on the basis of a reference clock, a second light emission control unit for controlling the light emission timing of the
10 light emission unit in correspondence with image data of one line in the main scanning direction on the basis of the generation timing of a horizontal sync signal, and an image forming unit for forming an image on the basis of the light beam.